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In re Patent Application of: Richard J. WHITBOURNE et al.

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For: MEDICATED STENT HAVING MULTI-

LAYER POLYMER COATING

Examiner:

Uyen T. Ho

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed October 19, 2005, Applicants submit the following reply.

Applicants request a one-month extension of time to respond to the Official Action (i.e., to and including December 19, 2005), and enclose the appropriate fee in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136(a).

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